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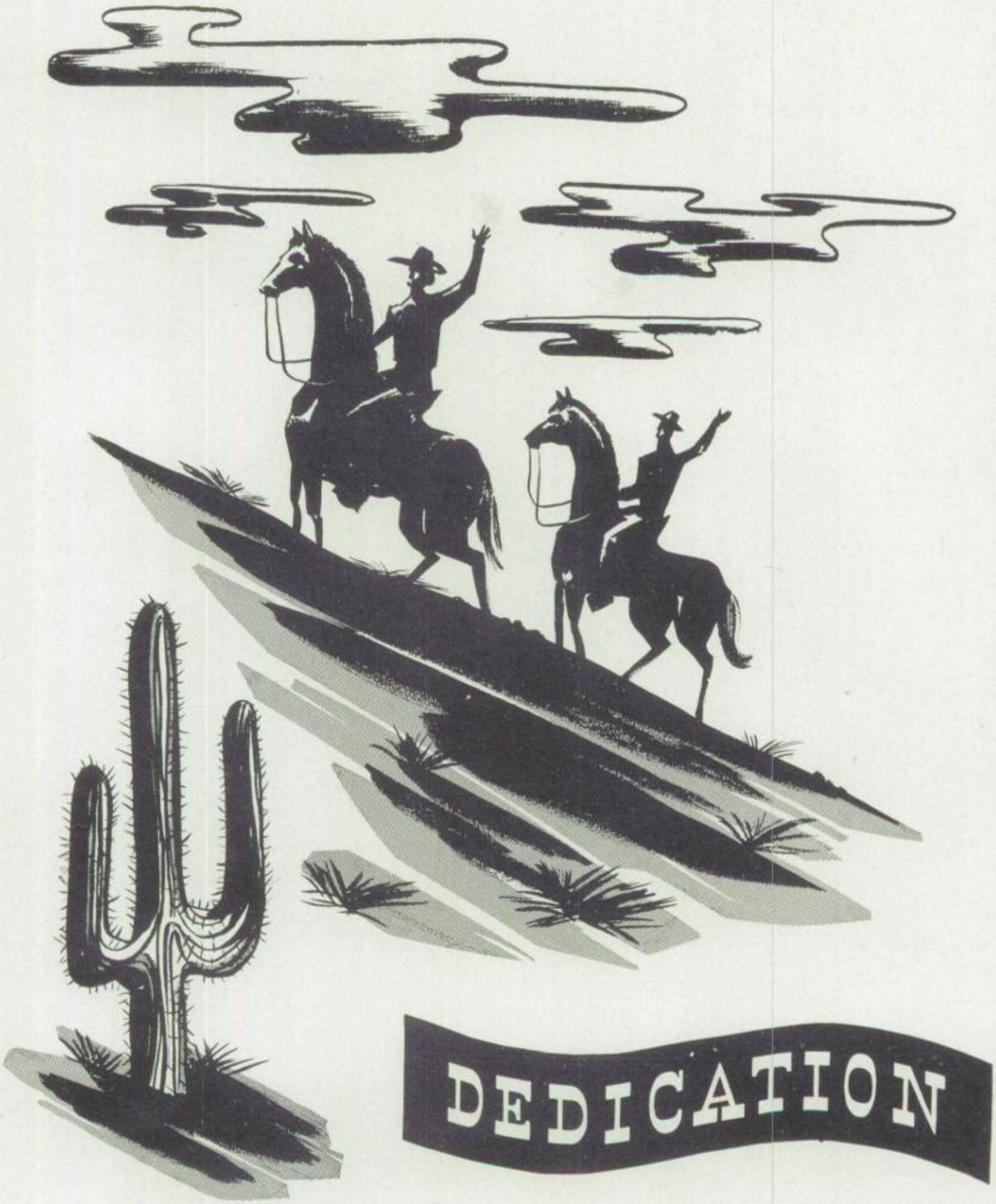

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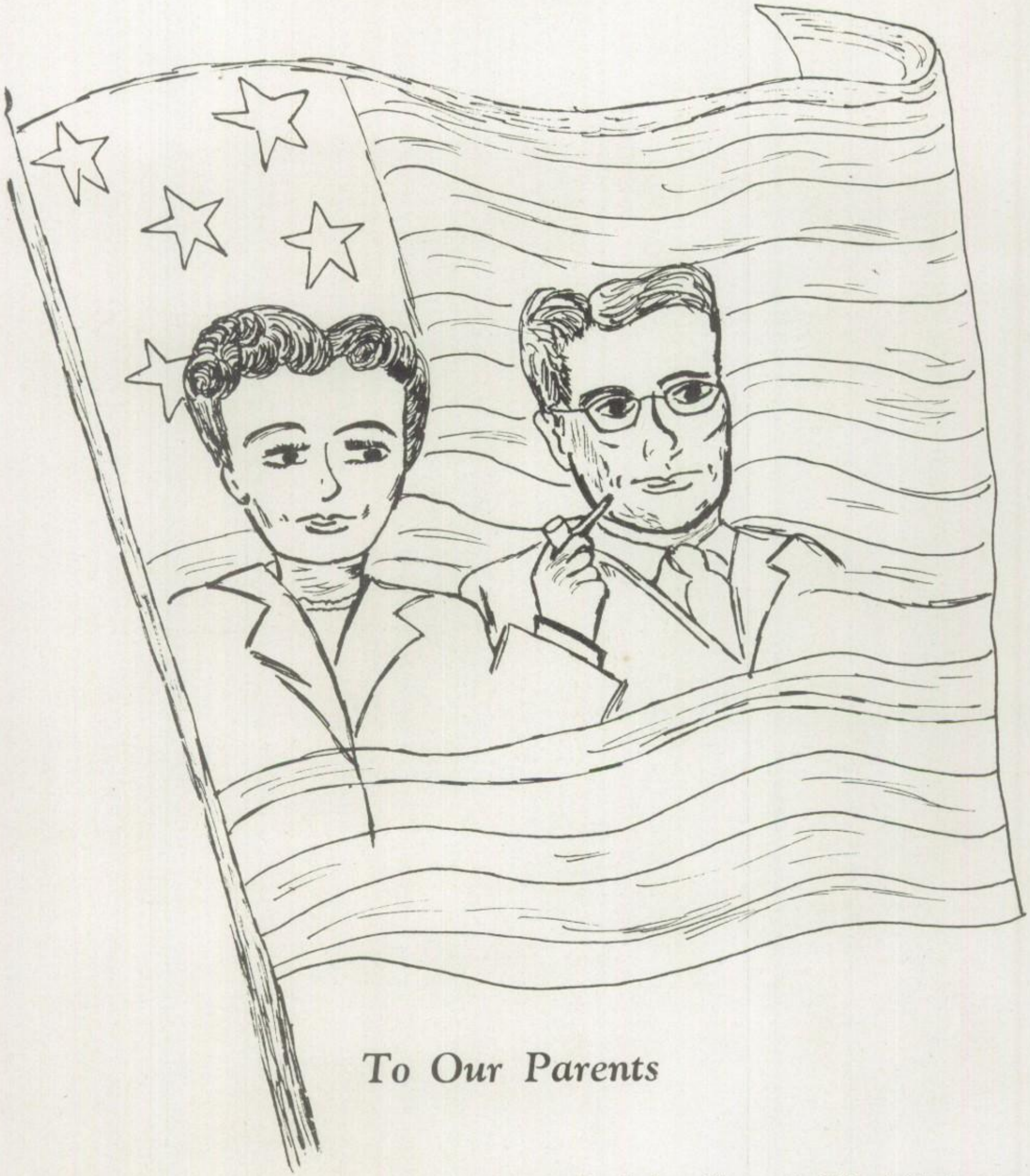
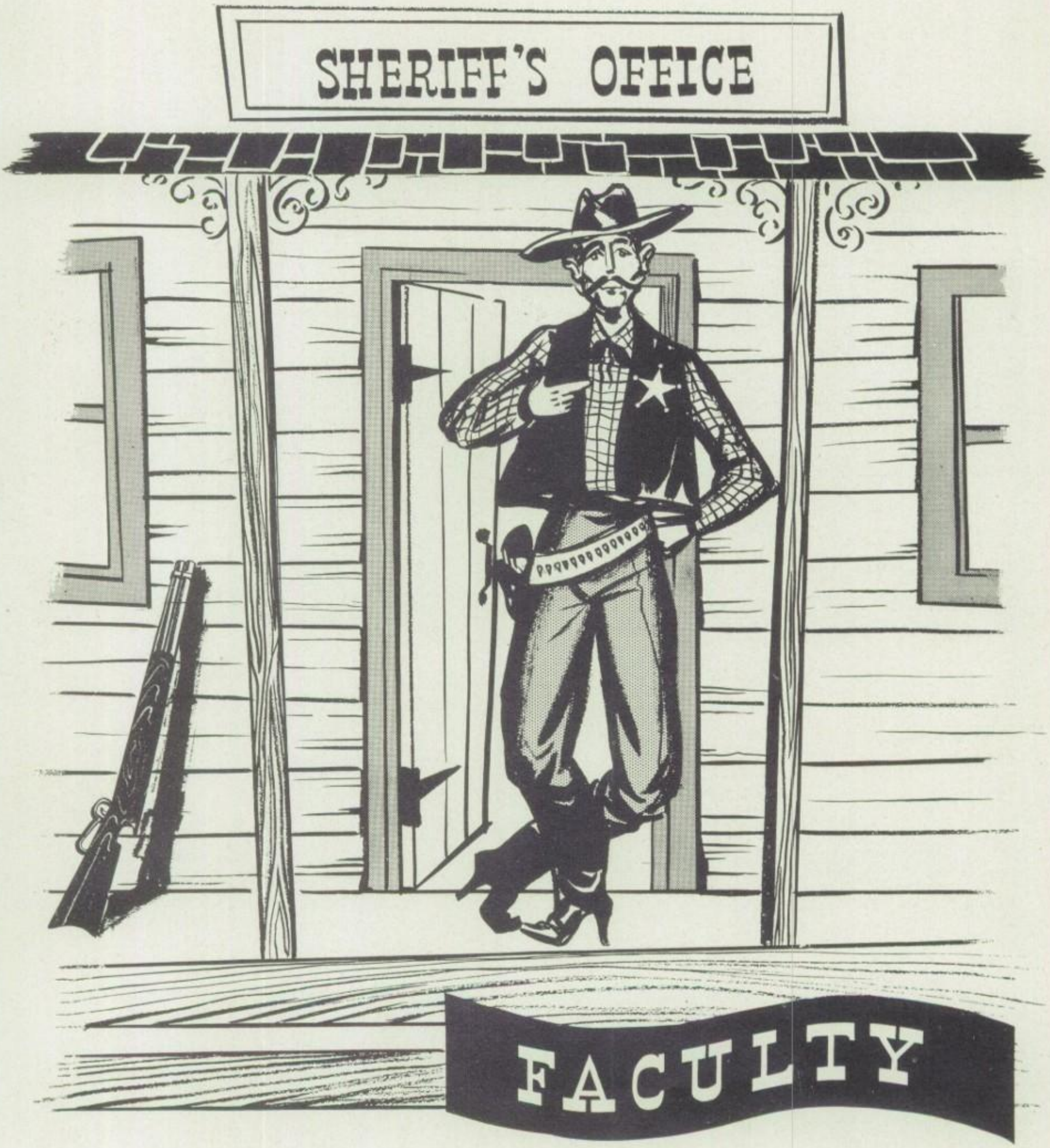


To Our Parents

we the Senior Class of 1952 dedicate our annual. We know we can never thank them enough for their many sacrifices which have permitted us to attend school for the last twelve years.


SHERIFF'S OFFICE
FACULTY

Mr. Kutzli . . dignified superintendent of Prairie City schools for the past two years . . . expert manager of school affairs . . capable speaker . . friendly advisor . . . . . an outstanding citizen . . . . a highly respected individual . . . his willingness to give a helping hand has had made him many life-long friends not only in the school, but in the community as well.

MR. KUTZLI

MRS. VAN PEURSEM

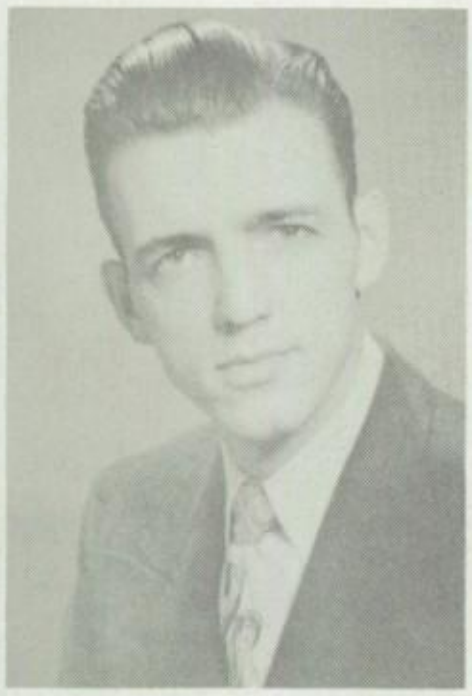
Mrs. Van Peursem . . . secretary of high school . . . . bookkeeper for hot lunch program . . girls' basketball chaperone . . . . secretary of Board of Education . . scorekeeper for basketball games . . . substitute teacher . . . has a pleasing personality and winning ways which attributes to the fact that she has many friends.

FLOYD SIEVERS
School . . . Iowa State Teachers
Degree . . . . . .B. A.
Subjects.. History, Government
Home Town . . . Mechanicsville

CAROLYN HOOD
School . . . Iowa State Teachers
Degree . . . . . B. A.
Subject . . . . . .English
Home Town . . . . . .Springville
Advisor . . . . . School Daze

BEVERLY ADAMS
School . . . Iowa State Teachers
Degree . . . . . B. A.
Subjects . . . . . Typing,
. . . . . Shorthand, Bookkeeping
Home Town . . . . . .Burlington
Advisor . . . . . Annual

F. E. KUTZLI
School . . Ohio State University
Degree . . . . . B. A.
Teaches . . . . General Science,
. . . . . .Physics
Home Town . . . . . Victor



HOWARD VAN PERSUM
School . . . . . Central
Teaches . . . . . .Mathematics
. Athletics
Home Town . . . . . Maurice

GAY NICHOLS
School . . . . . .Simpson
Degree . . . . . .B. A.
Subjects . .Home Ec. & Biology
Home Town . . . . Prairie City

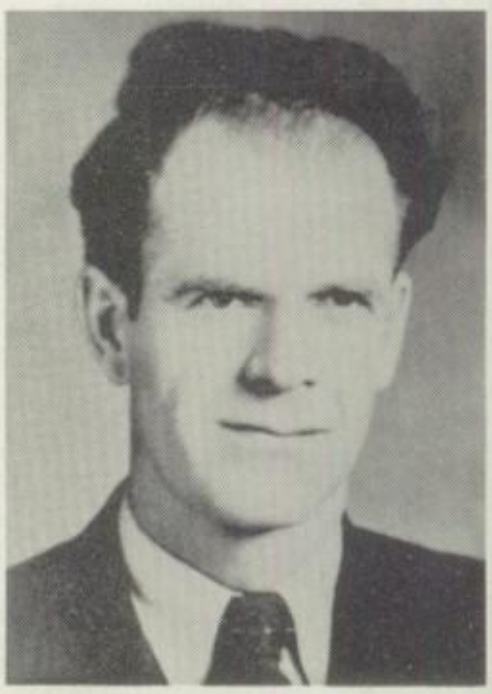
ROY HEFTI
School . . Wayne State Teachers
Degree . . . . . B. F. A. & B. S.
Teaches . . . . . Vocal and Instrumental
Home Town . . . . . Des Moines

MARY ELLEN WATTS
School . . . . . Drake
Degree. . . Limited Elementary
Teaches . . . Kindergarten & 1st
Home Town. . . . Grand Junction

MARDELLE HEDEMANN
School. . . . . Iowa Wesleyan
Degree . . . . . 2 Years Normal
Teaches . . . . . 3rd & 4th
Home Town . . . . . Garnavillo

LOUISE ALLEN
School. . . Iowa State Teachers
Degree . . . . . 2 Years Normal
Teaches . . . . . 5th & 6th
Home Town . . . . . Prairie City

LILLIAN HUSTON
School . . . . . Ellsworth Jr.
Degree. , . . . 2 Years Standard
Teaches . . . . . 1st & 2nd
Home Town . . . . . Des Moines



WILLIAM FLOCKHART
School. . . Iowa State Teachers
Degree . . . . . B. A.
Subjects. . . . . Industrial Arts,
. . . . . 7th & 8th
Home Town . . . . . Bussey

Hot Lunch

The cooks that prepare our tasty lunches every day are Mrs. Long, Mrs. Tabor and Mrs. Sandburg. These ladies are on the job, here at school, some days, from 8:00 A. M. to 4:00 P. M. We have enjoyed their meals and would like to say "thank you", for the effort they have put forth in preparing such delicious food.

Our Janitor

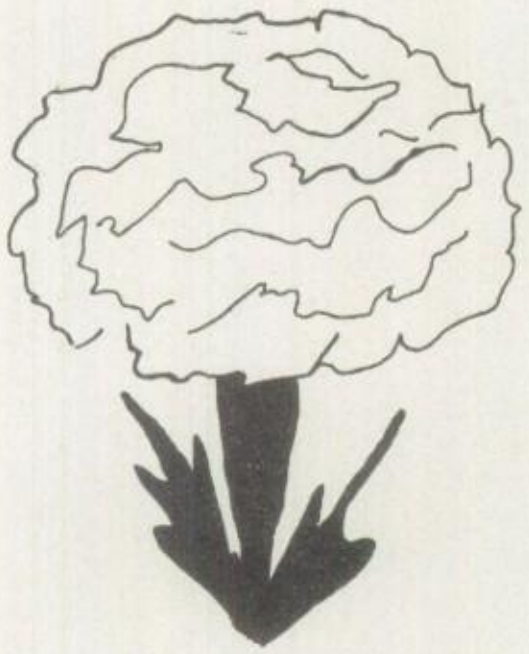
Mr. Loftsgaard, our janitor, is a person who is worthy of many thanks. He puts in long hours to keep the schoolhouses and gymnasium in "tip-top" order. He has a big job but he does it very well.

So we say "thanks" again to Mr. Loftsgaard for being so kind, patient, and hard-working in our behalf.

SENIORS

The Class of '52

Class Flower



White Carnation

Class Colors

Blue and Silver

Class Motto

Doubt Whom You Will,

But Never Yourself.

MARVIN VAN PEURSEM "Van"
"Beautiful Brown Eyes"

President - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 4
Secretary-Treasurer - - - - - - - - -2
Basketball - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1
Baseball - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2
Annual Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - - -4
Mixed Chorus - - - - - - - - - - 2-3-4
Class Play - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 3
Senior Class Play of '51 - - - - - - - 3

MYRNA TELFER
"A Good Man Is Hard To Find"

Vice-President - - - - - - - - - - - - -4
Annual Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 4
Annual Editor - - - - - - - - - - - - - -4
Pep Club - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Glee Club - - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Mixed Chorus - - - - - - - - - - 2-3-4
Paper Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - - 3-4
Senior Girls' Trio - - - - - - - - - - -4
Sextet - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 2-3-4
Girls' Commencement Chorus - - - 1

LAVERA KINART
"Oh, No, John"

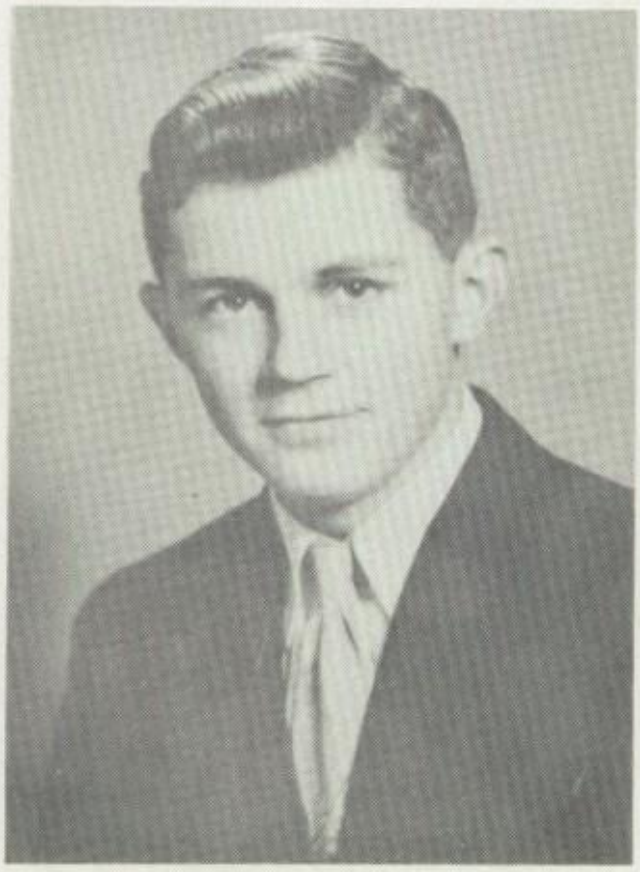
Secretary-Treasurer - - - - - - - -1-4
Letter Club - - - - - - - - - - - - -3-4
Annual Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - -3-4
Pep Club - - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Glee Club - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -1
Paper Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1
Class Play - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 3
Cheerleader - - - - - - - - - - - - - -3
Girls' Commencement Chorus - - - 1

PAT TAYLOR "Petey"
"Spaghetti Rag"

Basketball - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Annual Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - 3-4
Glee Club - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2
Paper Staff - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Pep Club - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Mixed Chorus - - - - - - - - - - - - 2
Class Play - - - - - - - - - - - - - 3
Pep Club Officer - - - - - - - - 2-3-4
Letter Club Officer - - - - - - - - 3-4
Letter Club - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Girls' Commencement Chorus - - - 1

LOWELL WIGGINS "Spaghetti"
"Patricia"

President - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 2
Football - - - - - - - - - - - - - 2-3-4
Basketball - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Baseball - - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Letter Club - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Annual Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - - 4
Class Play - - - - - - - - - - - - - 3



HERBERT WALKER "Buck"
"Life Gets Tee-jous Don't It?"

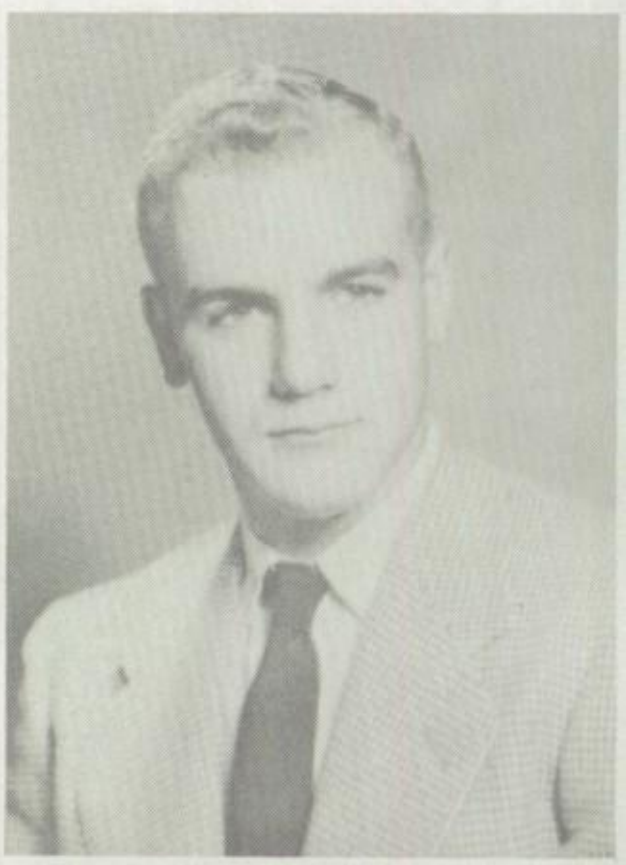
Vice-President - - - - - - - - - - - - 3
Secretary-Treasurer - - - - - - - - - 2
Baseball - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2
Letter Club - - - - - - - - - - - 2-3-4
Annual Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - - 4
Class Play - - - - - - - - - - - - - 3

LIONEL WIGGINS "Fat"
"Skater's Waltz"

Vice-President - - - - - - - - - - - - 2
Football - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3
Basketball - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2
Baseball - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-4
Letter Club - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Annual Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - - 4
Class Play - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 3

JOYCE SANDERSON "Joycie"
"How Soon?"

Secretary-Treasurer - - - - - - - - 3
Basketball - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Letter Club - - - - - - - - - - - 2-3-4
Annual Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - - 4
Pep Club - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Glee Club - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2
Paper Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - 3-4
Class Play - - - - - - - - - - - - - 3
Girls' Commencement Chorus - - - 1



LOIS JEAN STAMPER "Stamper"
"Scatterbrain"

Basketball Manager- - - - - - - - - -2
Annual Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - - 4
Glee Club- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1
Girls' Commencement Chorus - - - 1

SARAH CATHERINE BUCKINGHAM
"My Buddy"

Annual Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - - -4
Pep Club- - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Glee Club - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Mixed Chorus - - - - - - - - - - 2-3-4
Senior Girls' Trio - - - - - - - - - 4
Soloist - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 4
Girls' Commencement Chorus - - - 1

NELLIE HARRIS "Nell"
"Nellie Was A Lady"

President- - - - - - - - - - - - - - 3
Basketball - - - - - - - - - - -1-2-3-4
Letter Club - - - - - - - - - - - 2-3-4
Annual Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - 4
Pep Club - - - - - - - - - - - -1-2-3-4
Class Play- - - - - - - - - - - - - -3
Newspaper Editor - - - - - - - - - 4
Letter Club, Secy.-Treas. - - - - - 3
Paper Staff - - - - - - - - - - - -2-3-4
Girls' Commencement Chorus - - - 1

DONNA JEAN JOHNSON "Red"
"Diamonds Are A Girl's Best Friend"

Annual Staff - - - - - - - - - - - - 4
Pep Club - - - - - - - - - - - -1-2-3-4
Glee Club - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Mixed Chorus - - - - - - - - - 2-3-4
Class Play - - - - - - - - - - - - - 3
Band - - - - - - - - - - - - - -1-2-3-4
Senior Girls' Trio - - - - - - - - - 4
Sextet - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 3-4
Sax Quartet - - - - - - - - - - -2-3-4
Soloist- - - - - - - - - - - - - - -3-4
Cantata Soloists- - - - - - - - - - 4
Girls' Commencement Chorus- - - 1

JOANN VAN ARKEL "Jody"
"Anchors Aweigh"

Treasurer- - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1
Basketball - - - - - - - - - - - 1-3-4
Letter Club - - - - - - - - - - 2-3-4
Annual Staff - - - - - - - - - - - -4
Pep Club - - - - - - - - - - - -1-2-3-4
Glee Club - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Mixed Chorus - - - - - - - - - 2-3-4
Paper Staff - - - - - - - - - - - -3-4
Class Play - - - - - - - - - - - - - 3
Band - - - - - - - - - - - - 1-2-3-4
Cheerleader - - - - - - - - - - - - 2
Sextet - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -2-3
One-Act Play - - - - - - - - - - - -3
Girls' Commencement Chorus - - - 1

Life's Uncertain Trail

For a long time we have known that some day we would reach the end of the trail that has, for the last four years, led us through P. C. H. S., and alone we would begin our search for new frontiers to conquer. Since the time that we first entered high school our travels have been safe and protected ones, with fun and good times making the weeks of work pass quickly.

From the time that we as tenderfeet joined the caravan, which has taken us on a trail of quick moving events, our way has been guided by various outposts that warned us of the dangers that we were likely to encounter. The trading posts, now bringing back brightly painted memories, seemed strong and stable as we stopped at them to work or play.

By the next year we had established our claim and had become accustomed to the rapid events of our school in which we ourselves began to take a more active part. We came to expect the various side trails which temporarily led us from our main course, but which also drew interesting bits of enjoyment into our journey.

Finally we had advanced to the front of the wagon train -- the place where we felt that the real high school living would take place. It was then that we decided that the rules of the plains that we were learning would really be important later on. We laughed at the strange pieces of sagebrush which we passed by, but the seriousness of the remainder of the trip became more apparent, and we started making more definite plans for the main lap of the trip.

We have now come to the bend in the road. What has gone before is still in sight, but the dangers and pitfalls on the other side of the turn will be sighted only as we come to them. No longer will we have these guides in making our plans and meeting our problems. In the future it will be necessary to do so by ourselves, but perhaps, by keeping in mind the experience that we picked up during our school days we will be able to journey smoothly on Life's Uncertain Trail.

Prophecy of 1952

In 1970 when my friend and I returned from an extensive tour of Europe and Asia, we decided to visit some ranches in Grand Canyon Valley, Colorado. The one ranch that caught our eye was Bar '52.

Lo and behold who should we see but Lois Jean Stamper and Sara Buckingham painting the white fences around the ranch house. It seems they had formed a partnership as the only women fence painters in the country. We inquired as to who the owners were and much to our surprise they turned out to be the former Pat Taylor and her husband Lowell Wiggins.

Of course they insisted we spend the night at the Bar '52. As we approached the steps, we met Lavera Kinart tending three little girls; we found that the Wiggins' family had increased by triplets.

Just then the chow bell rang and we seated ourselves at the dinner table. Who should serve us but Joyce Sanderson, and to add to the surprise, Myrna Telfer was the cook in the kitchen! Suddenly in walked Herbert Walker--late as usual. He had been practicing new stunts for the rodeo show next month, in which he was to be a bronco rider.

As we left the table we met Lionel Wiggins, foreman of the ranch, who had been riding with the herd all day.

After dinner we relaxed in the overstuffed chairs of the Wiggins' living room. Turning on the radio, we heard a familiar voice singing western cowboy songs. Who should it be but Donna Jean Johnson!

Before retiring we decided to go outdoors and get a breath of fresh air. We noticed a figure sitting in a lawn chair with a telescope. It turned out to be Joann Van Arkel. It seems that she had become an astronomer, using the physics she took in high school as a background for her study.

We then retired and had a very good night's rest. The next morning we awoke and enjoyed a very appetizing breakfast. After that we decided we should be on our way. We had spent a very happy time at the ranch. We thanked the proprietors of the ranch for the adventure we had and drove off.

About a mile from the ranch we came upon a man trying to fix his jet-omatic mobile unit. When we stopped, we found that it was none other than Marvin Van Peursem. He was having car trouble. He was trying to use his mechanical mind to remedy the trouble, and he discovered he had lost a couple of his jets.

Traveling on, we came to a small house. There was a lady mowing the lawn. Who would it be but Nellie Harris. She was now acting as private tutor for the Wiggins' triplets. She gave us a big smile and we drove by.

Reflecting on our tour of the Bar '52, we felt sure that this tour had proved to be a great deal more "informative" than all the trips to Europe and Asia!

Class Will

I, Pat Taylor, will my ability to hit the hoop to Margaret McFadden.

I, Nellie Harris, will my post position on the basketball court to Jean Thompson.

I, Myrna Telfer, will my scholastic ability to anyone who needs it.

I, Lowell Wiggins, will my Studebaker to anyone who wants it.

I, Marvin Van Peursem, will my height to Lowell Vande Lune.

I, Sarah Buckingham, will my spot in the soprano section to a fortunate Freshman girl.

I, Lois Stamper, will my talkativeness to Glennace Den Besten.

I, Joann Van Arkel, will my dimples to Lila Steenhoek.

I, Joyce Sanderson, will my ability to keep a steady boy friend throughout my high school days to Doris Trunnel.

I, Donna Jean Johnson, will my singing ability to Margie Van Dyk.

I, Lavera Kinart, will my quietness to Beverly Messmaker.

I, Herbert Walker, will my laziness to Jackie Sparks.

I, Lionel Wiggins, will my place in the skating rink to Gary Timmons.

Editor-in-Chief . . . . . Myrna Telfer

Assistant Editor . . . . . Marvin Van Peursem

Business Manager . . . . . Joyce Sanderson

Advertising . . . . . Chairman . . . . . Herbert Walker
Lowell Wiggins
Lionel Wiggins
Marvin Van Peursem
Joann Van Arkel
Pat Taylor

Art Work . . . . . Pat Taylor

Salesmen . . . . . Senior Class

Activities . . . . . Donna Jean Johnson
Sarah Buckingham

Athletics . . . . . Lowell Wiggins
Pat Taylor

Seniors . . . . . Lionel Wiggins
Nellie Harris

Underclassmen . . . . . Herbert Walker
Joann Van Arkel
Lois Jean Stamper

Typists . . . . . Senior Girls

Prophecy . . . . . Chairman . . . . Ardis Van Peursem
Rosemary Hanel
Bob Vanderzyl
Larry Jennings

Faculty . . . . . Lavera Kinart
Sarah Buckingham
Lois Jean Stamper

Will . . . . . Donna Jean Johnson
Nellie Harris
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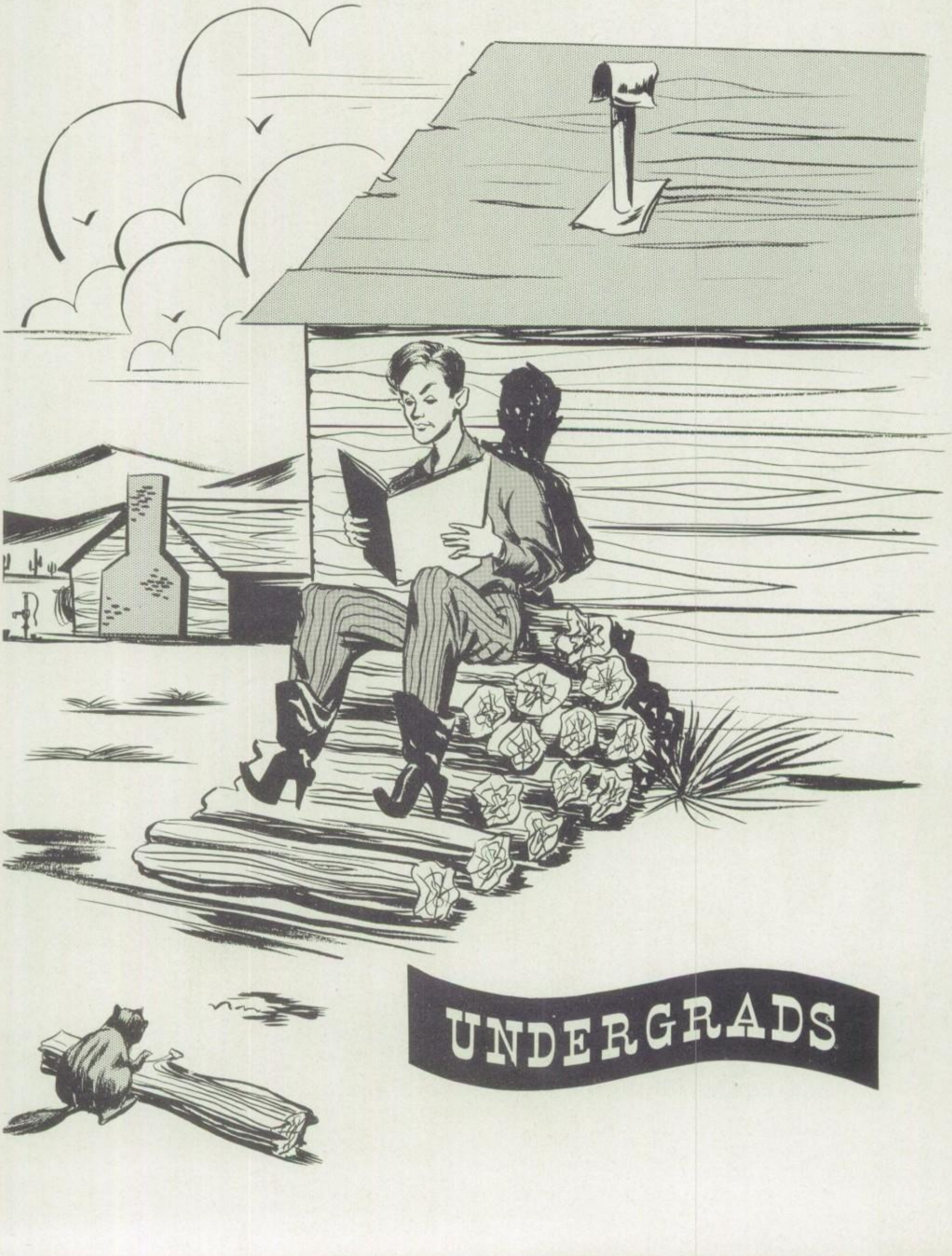
Joyce Sanderson


UNDERGRADS

Junior Class

FIRST ROW: B. Williams, W. Abrahams, R. Hanel, C. Boot, B. Vande Lune, J. Thompson, J. Jennings.

SECOND ROW: D. Hunsicker, B. Vanderzyle, K. Thornton, M. Van Gundy, L. Clark, A. Van Peursem, E. Green.

THIRD ROW: H. Churchill, J. Herweh, A. Van Ryswyk, J. Taylor, D. Bos, L. Jennings, M. Brubaker, G. Timmons.

At the beginning of the year twenty-two Juniors entered school, ready to begin our next to the last year of school. In the course of the year we gained one student -- Jimmy Herweh from Carlisle.

The first thing we had to do was elect officers. The following were chosen:

President . . . . . .Wanda Abrahams
Vice-President . . . . . Larry Jennings
Secretary-Treasurer . Barbara Vande Lune
Sponsor . . . . . .Mrs. Nichols

Hallowe'en night we had a party with the Seniors at an old, deserted house in the country. A hayride followed this.

We sold refreshments at all our home ball games to raise money for the Junior-Senior Banquet.

Sophomore Class

FIRST ROW: M. Miller, N. Emerson, D. Daugherty, J. Dunlavey, H. Barwegen, S. Beaver.
SECOND ROW: L. Vande Lune, G. Wassnaar, T. Wagner, J. Oliver, M. Van Wyngarden, D. Trunnel.
THIRD ROW: J. McCauley, R. Telfer, D. Pulver, R. Osborn, D. Miller, M. Ingram.

The following officers were elected at the beginning of the school year:

President . . . . . .Paul Osborn
Vice-President. . . . . Max Ingram
Secretary-Treasurer . . . . . Ronald Telfer

We had one skating party at Colfax the first semester. Mr. Sievers was our class sponsor.

Freshman Class

FIRST ROW: M. Shera, G. Den Besten, B. Trager, R. Stamper, E. Herweh, B. Messmaker, E. Brewer, M. Caldwell.
SECOND ROW: J. Sparks, J. Moomaw, L. Steenhoek, M. McFadden, L. Krohn, M. Van Dyk, S. Elrod, A. Pulver, M. Plate.
THIRD ROW: G. Telfer, L. Clark, D. Jennings, D. Trunnel, P. Abrahams, J. Shutt.

We elected the following officers at the beginning of the year:

President . . . . . Duane Jennings
Vice-President . . . . . Jackie Sparks
Secretary . . . . . Erma Lea Brewer
Treasurer. . . . . Max Caldwell

We had one skating party at Colfax the first semester. Mrs. Hood acted as our class sponsor.

Three new students were added to our class during the year. They were Beverly Trager, Beverly Jabaai, and Bertha Grimes.

7th and 8th Grades

FIRST ROW: J. Wilson, L. Cline, L. Sandy, N. Williams, D. Brunner, A. Van Ryswyk, S. Vander Leest, L. Steenhoek, S. Koeder, L. French, N. Neely.

SECOND ROW: G. Koder, B. Schlosser, D. Stevens, E. Vaught, J. Rowe, D. Van Houweling, J. Thompson, A. Thompson, E. Sille, L. Sparks, L. Harrison.

THIRD ROW: H. Thornton, L. Lourens, J. Dykstra, B. Sparks, J. Ritter, J. Sneller, T. Walters, B. Bos, I. Van Haaften.

This year we have been moved over into the high school building. Some very nice desks were purchased for our use.

We elected the following officers at the beginning of the year:

SEVENTH OFFICERS		EIGHTH OFFICERS	
President:	Jarold Sneller	President:	Dorothy Van Houweling
Vice-Pres:	Irvin Van Haaften	Vice-Pres:	Harley Thornton
Secretary:	Louise French	Secretary:	Alice Van Ryswyk
Treasurer:	Larry Harrison	Treasurer:	Donna Lu Brunner
Sponsor:	Mr. Flockhart	Sponsor:	Mr. Van Peursem

3rd and 4th Grades

FIRST ROW: Rosenberg, Van Houweling, Dyer, Deitrick. Miller, McKlveen, Waddle.
SECOND ROW: Birkenholtz, Rosenberg, Vander Leest, Cook, Breed, Messmaker, Stoner, Morgan, Erskine, Deitrick.
THIRD ROW: Miss Hedemann, Henley, Neeley, Hinkley, Sandy, Vande Lune, Cline, Taylor, McKlveen, Holmes.
FOURTH ROW: Jarnigan, Van Zee, Dyer, Vander Meyden, Koder, Sneller, Lourens, Dykstra, Williams.

5th and 6th Grades

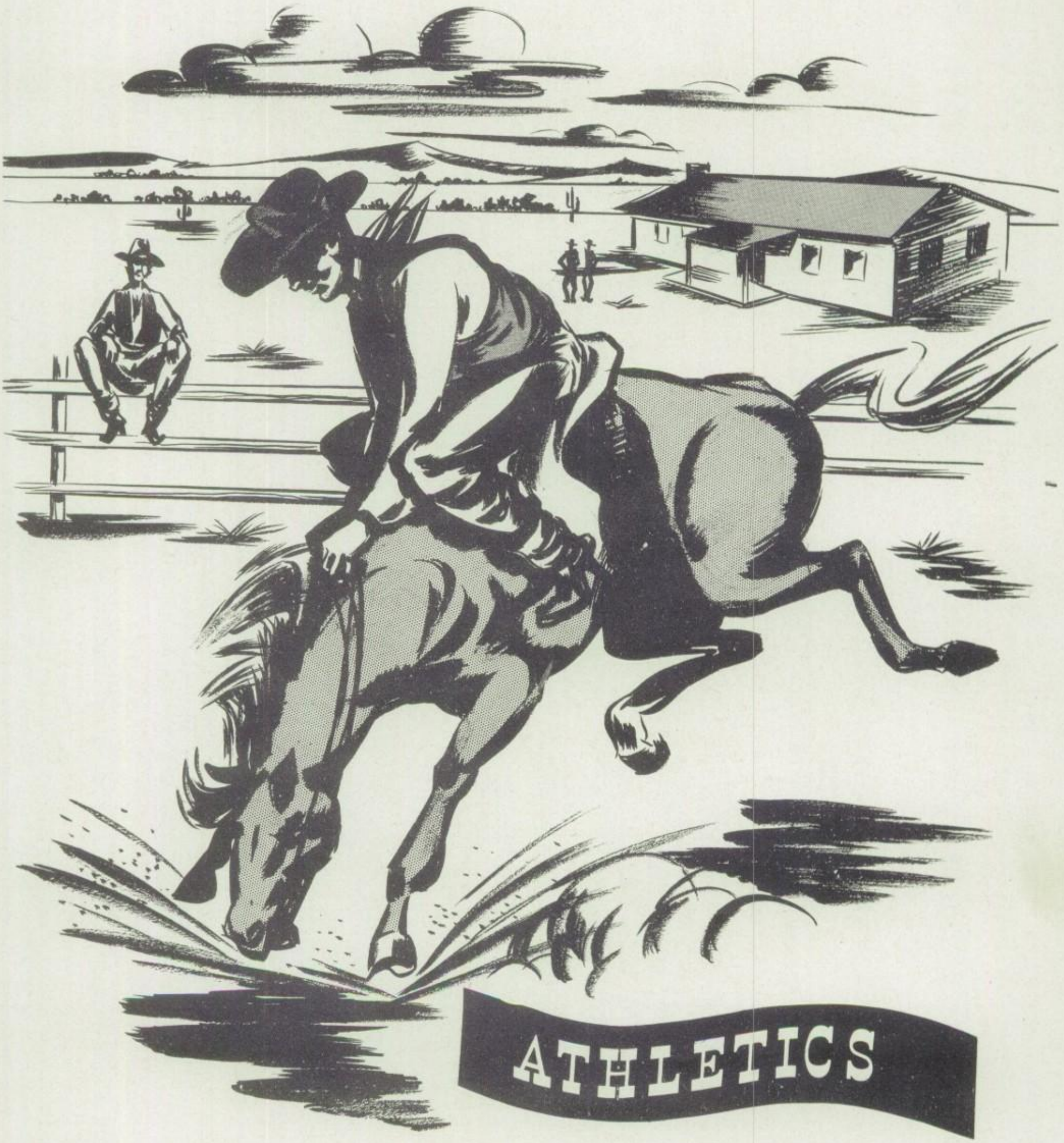
FIRST ROW: Williams, Boot, Thornton, Freeman, Schlosser, Bos, Buckingham, Vander Zyl, Abrahams, Wassenaar, Van Houweling.
SECOND ROW: Sille, Jennings, Miller, Van Voorhis, Kutchin, Logsdon, Van Zee, Noon, Morhauser, Neeley, Williams, Hiemstra, Mrs. Allen.
THIRD ROW: Marrow, Wilson, Brubaker, Van Haalen, Rowe, Williams, Benson, Cline, Williams, Vander Ploeg, Booher, Henley.

Primary and First Grade

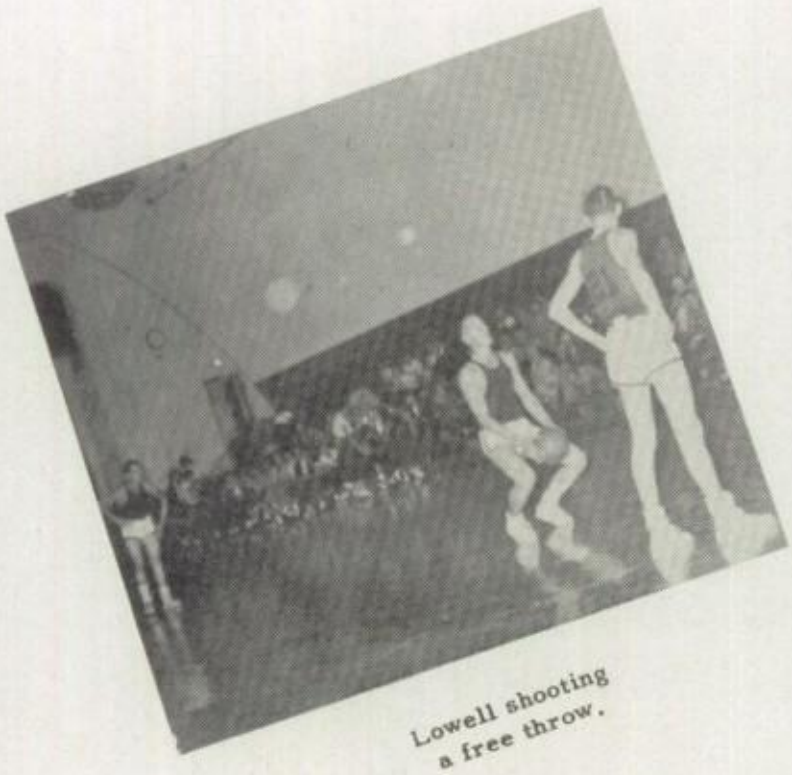
FIRST ROW: R. Erskin, D. Chandler, R. Lourens, D. Perry, J. Myers.
SECOND ROW: B. Vande Lune, K. Stevens, R. Trunnell, P. Stringer, N. Brubaker, S. Neely, D. Burns, Mrs. Wassenaar.
THIRD ROW: E. Van Baale, D. Booher, H. Van Zee, M. Schuttinga, S. Vander Ploeg, D. Sneller, P. Colyn, D. Thornton, B. Noon.

1st and 2nd Grades

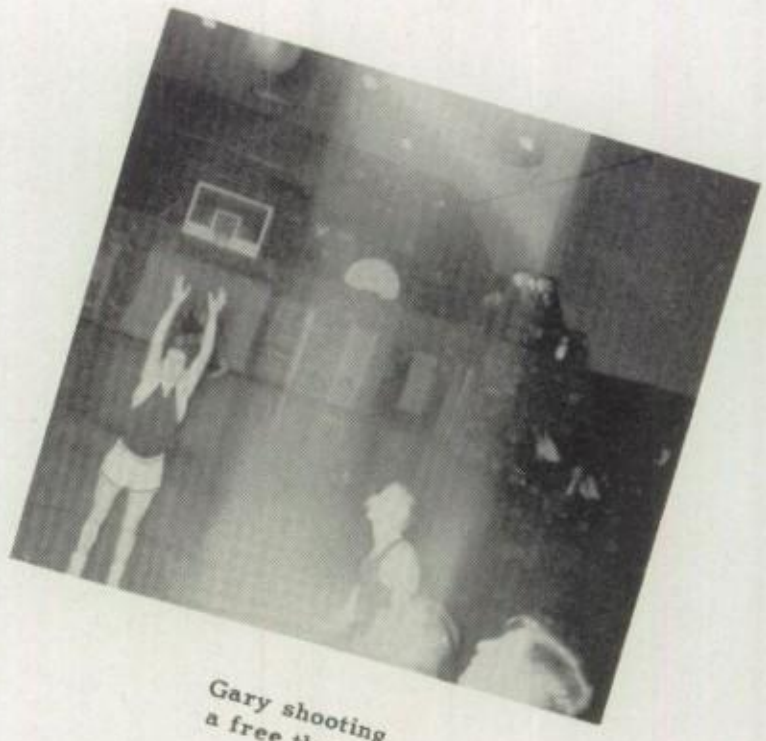
FIRST ROW: O. Williams, J. Williams, D. Bauer, J. Stravers, R. Waddle, R. Hilligas, J. Brashear.
SECOND ROW: D. Tabor, S. Van Baale, A. Booher, J. Jarnigan, D. Noon, S. Clark, J. Miller, M. Burns, C. Brubaker.
THIRD ROW: J. McCauley, B. Williams, J. Thompson, K. Freeman, L. Hinkley, L. Lee, M. Morhauser, S. Koder, Mrs. Huston.
FOURTH ROW: B. Boot, J. Benson, J. Van Haalen, J. Buckingham, J. Kutchin, L. Van Zee, K. Langston.


ATHLETICS

Boys' Basketball



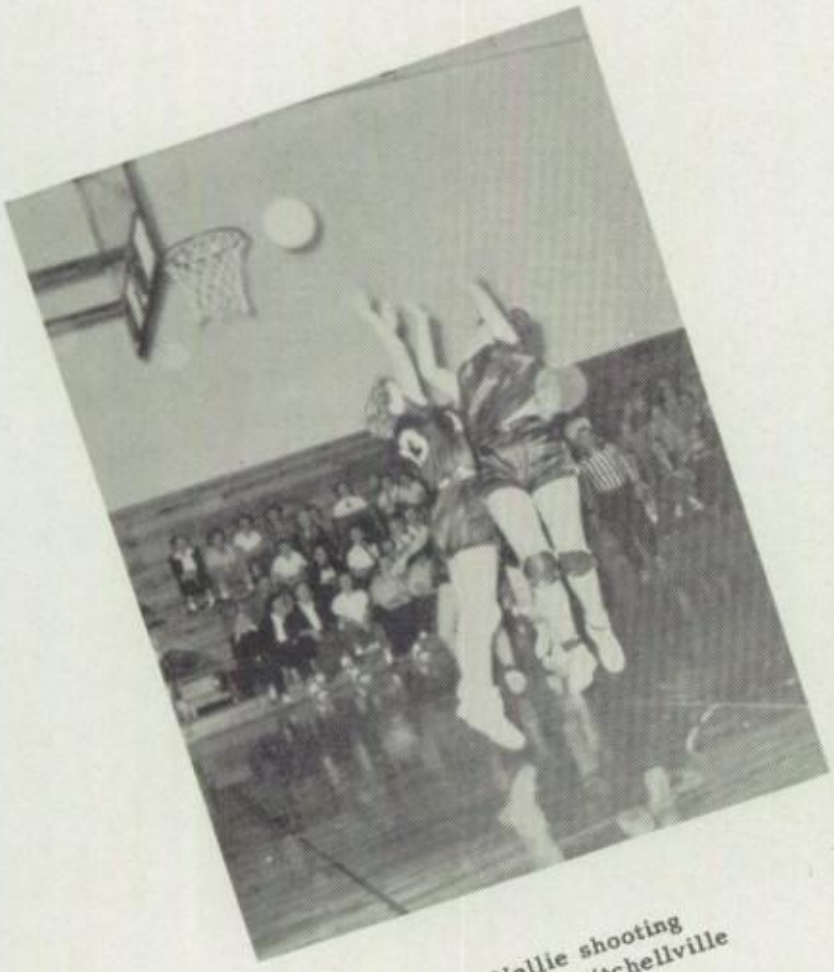
Lowell shooting
a free throw.



Gary shooting
a free throw.

Truman Wagner, Ronald Telfer, Duane Jennings, Bob Vanderzyl, Gordon Wassenaar, Larry Jennings, Lowell Wiggins, Gary Timmons, Donnie Miller, Keith Thornton, Max Ingram, Coach Van Peursem.

Girls' Basketball



Nellie shooting
against Mitchellville

Ardie jumping
against Mitchellville

Coach H. Van Peursem, S. Elrod, M. Van Wyngarden, J. Moomaw, G. Telfer, M. Plate, J. Jennings, B. Messmaker, M. McFadden, L. Steenhoek, J. Thompson, J. Sparks, R. Hanel, J. Van Arkel, A. Van Peursem, P. Taylor, J. Sanderson, N. Harris, S. Beaver, E. Herweh, B. Vande Lune, R. Stamper.

Basketball Hi-Lites

The P. C. Boys' Basketball Team ended their season with 2 wins and 16 losses. Although they were victims of an unsuccessful season, they played creditable ball on numerous occasions and showed improvement as the season progressed. Lowell Wiggins, the only Senior on the squad, played guard position. Gary Timmons and Donnie Miller alternated at the other guard position. Larry Jennings played the center position. Bob Vanderzyl, Gordon Wassenaar, and Duane Jennings alternated at forward position.

P. C.	40	Kellogg	38	P. C.	40	Urbandale	68
P. C.	12	Mingo	53	P. C.	25	Runnells	38
P. C.	27	Mitch'ville	62	P. C.	20	Hartford	68
P. C.	30	Monroe	62	P. C.	32	Altoona	54
P. C.	21	Alumni	44	P. C.	46	Runnells	47
P. C.	36	Hartford	72	P. C.	40	Colfax	63
P. C.	59	Knoxville B	39	P. C.	35	Mitch'ville	56
P. C.	42	Monroe	55	P. C.	31	Kellogg	48

The Prairie City Girls' Basketball team ended the season with 9 wins and 10 losses. P. Taylor led the scoring with 358 points, N. Harris netted 158 points and A. Van Peursem followed with 111 points. J. Jennings, R. Hanel, J. Sanderson, J. Thompson, and B. Messmaker alternated at defensive play. Patty Taylor was elected captain at the end of the season.

P. C.	36	Kellogg	35	P. C.	61	Urbandale	48
P. C.	53	Mingo	36	P. C.	41	Runnells	33
P. C.	35	Mitch'ville	25	P. C.	41	Hartford	48
P. C.	40	Monroe	28	P. C.	45	Altoona	51
P. C.	33	Alumni	37	P. C.	29	Runnells	27
P. C.	32	Hartford	35	P. C.	24	Colfax	36
P. C.	35	Knoxville	60	P. C.	34	Carlisle	36
P. C.	37	Knoxville	58	P. C.	42	Mitch'ville	34
P. C.	58	Monroe	41	P. C.	25	Kellogg	27

The Plainsmen ended the "51" football season with 3 wins and 6 losses. Lack of experience and size were the chief disadvantages holding the boys to 3 wins.

Churchill and Wiggins received honorable mention on Jack North's All-State Six-Man Honor Roll.

With only one letterman, Lowell Wiggins graduating, and the number of experienced boys increasing, the "52" season looks very promising.

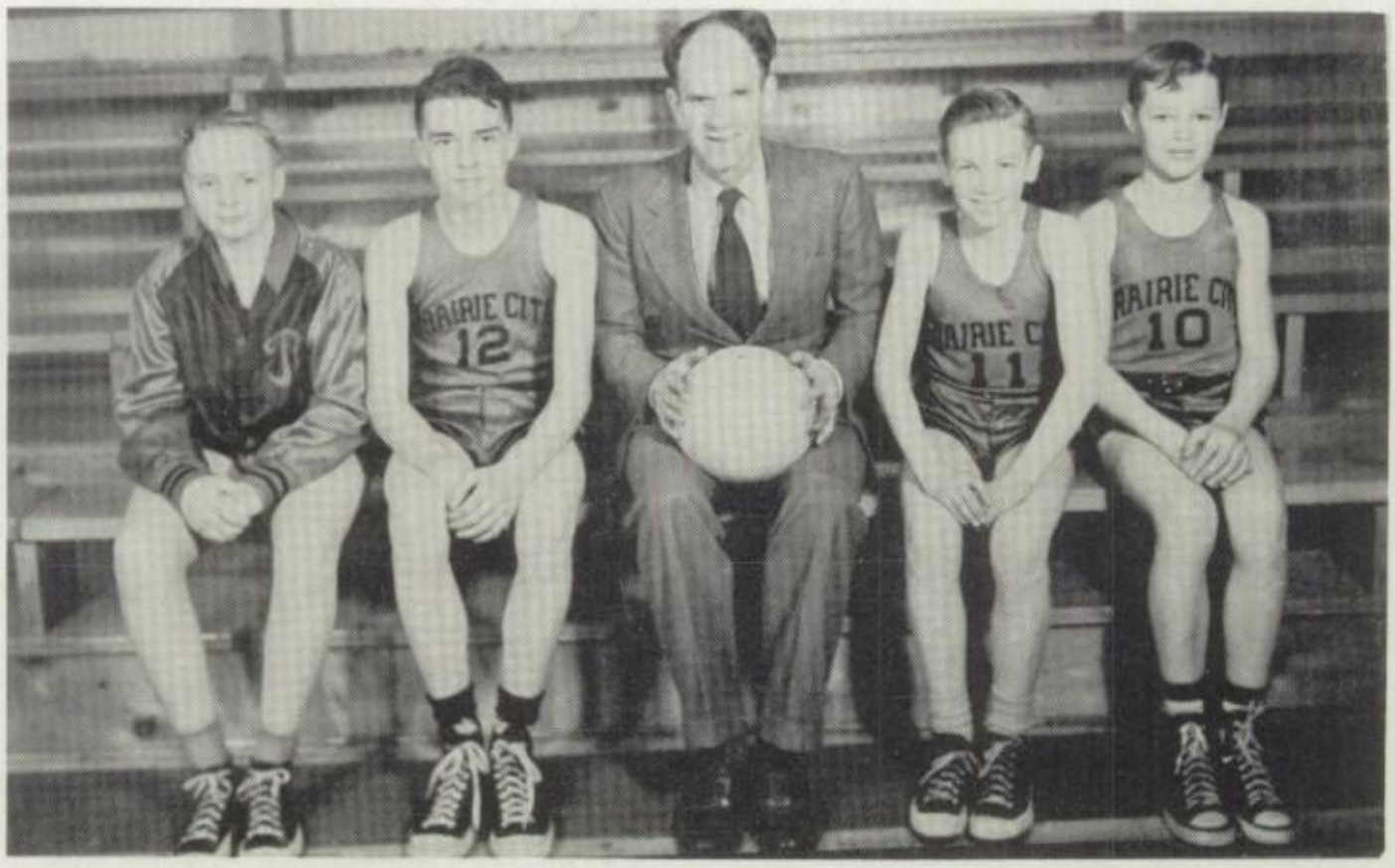
Mitchellville	31	Prairie City	0
Woodside	18	Prairie City	2
Runnells	27	Prairie City	38
Urbandale	22	Prairie City	13
Bondurant	45	Prairie City	0
Mingo	19	Prairie City	0
Grimes	26	Prairie City	12
Kellogg	28	Prairie City	32

Football Team

FIRST ROW: Don Hunsicker, Bob Vanderzyl, Hubert Churchill, Lowell Wiggins, Duane Jennings, Gary Timmons, Max Ingram, Manager.

SECOND ROW: Truman Wagner, Manager; Lowell Clark, Godfrey Redko, Paul Osborn, Ronald Telfer, Jim McCauley, Keith Thornton, Alan Campbell, Coach Van Peursem.

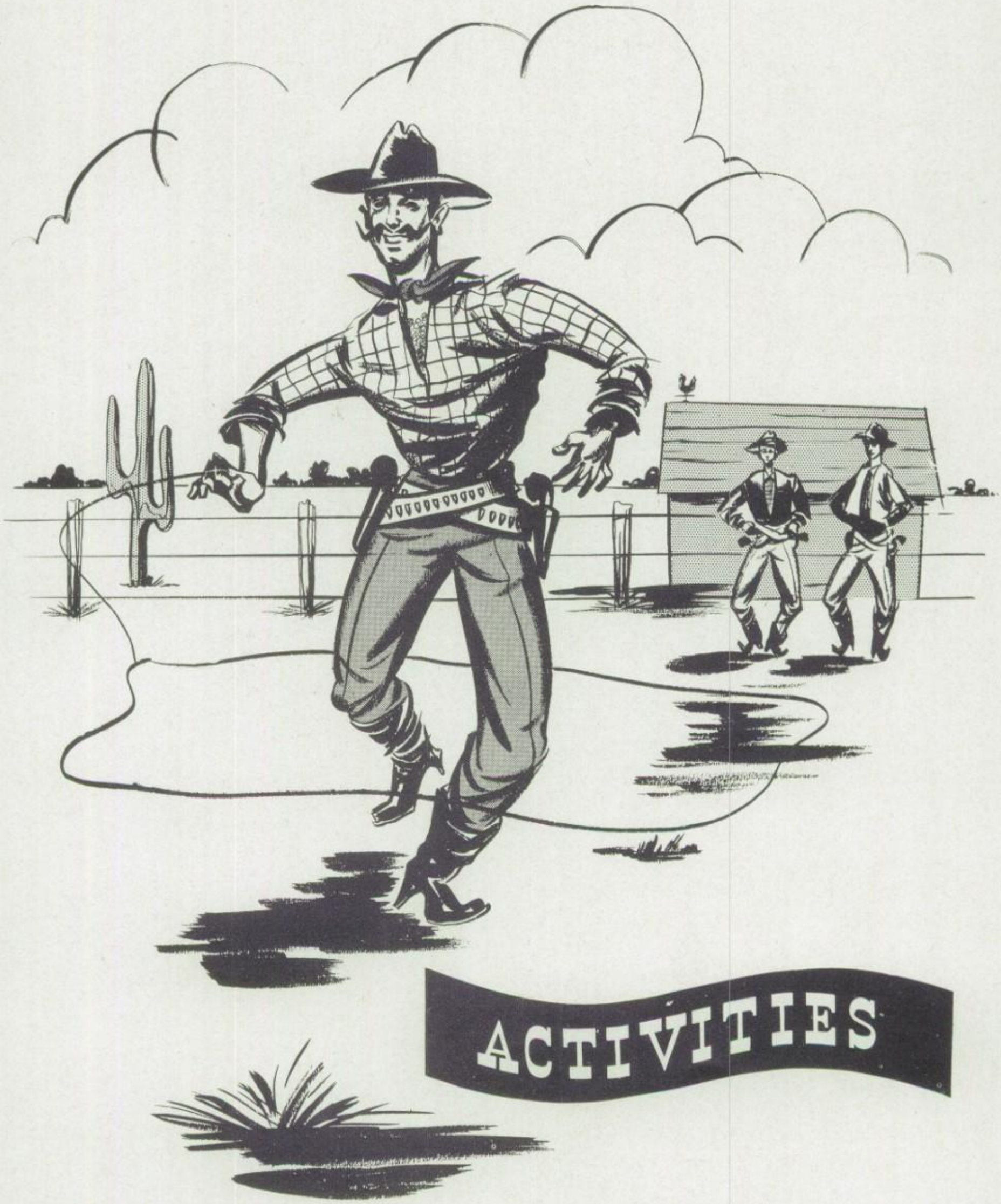
Junior High Basketball



Bob Sparks, Jon Ritter, Mr. Flockhart, Harley Thornton, Larry Lourens.

FRONT ROW: Alice Van Ryswyk, Janet Wilson, Lola Steenhoek, Sheryl Koder, Dorothy Van Houweling, Jo Ellen Thompson.

BACK ROW: Shirley Vander Leest, Louise French, Linda Sandy, Donna Lou Brunner, Mr. Flockhart.


ACTIVITIES

Band

FIRST ROW: D. Benson, H. Thornton, B. Sparks, K. Thornton, B. Bos, R. Hiemstra, R. Vander Ploeg.

SECOND ROW: N. Bos, M. Morhauser, J. Kutchin, M. Williams, M. Freeman, J. Rosenberg, B. Vander Zyl, V. Van Voorhis, J. Buckingham, M. Thornton, V. Abrahams, K. Sandy.

THIRD ROW: L. Sandy, H. Borwegan, A. Thompson, M. Miller, J. Dunlavy, D. Daughtery, C. Van Houweling, J. Van Zee, K. Boot, R. Logsdon, J. Wassenaar.

FOURTH ROW: J. Thompson, S. Vander Leest, D. Van Houweling, L. Steenhoek, A. Van Ryswyk, A. Pulver, L. Steenhoek, J. Sparks, M. McFadden, P. Abrahams.

FIFTH ROW: J. Wilson, B. Williams, L. Cline, J. Van Arkel, J. Shutt, D. Johnson.

The school band has approximately fifty members. They played at class plays, football and basketball games, on the Christmas program and were entered in the spring music contest. This organization has worked hard this year and deserves a lot of credit.

Brass Sextet

Harley Thornton, Bob Sparks, Dorothy Van Houweling, Janet Wilson, Jackie Sparks, and Beth Williams.

These students played "A Night in June" by Earl King, in the music contest.

Sax Trio

Barbara Vander Zyl, Virginia Van Voorhis, and Judy Buckingham.

They entered the spring music contest playing a "Gavotte" by Couperin.

Trio

Myrna Telfer, Sarah Buckingham, and Donna Jean Johnson.

Their contest numbers were "The Prayer Perfect" and "Neopolitan Nights".

Soloists

Front Row: Beth Williams, Erma Lea Brewer, Donna Jean Johnson, Lila Steenhoek, and Phyllis Abrahams. Back Row: Hubert Churchill, Cynthia Boot, Elnor Herweh, Sara Buckingham, and Keith Thornton.

These students represented Prairie City High in the spring music contest which was held at Adel, Iowa, and sang on home programs.

Glee Club

FRONT ROW: Louise French, Ellen Vaught, Loretta Cline, Linda Sandy, Sheryl Koder, Alice Van Ryswyk, Donna Brunner, Nancy Williams, Jo Ellen Thompson, Dorothy Van Houweling.

SECOND ROW: Jackie Sparks, Lila Steenhoek, Margaret McFadden, Joyce Moomaw, Doris Trunnel, Alice Thompson, Myrna Telfer, Donna Jean Johnson, Sarah Buckingham.

THIRD ROW: Rosalie Stamper, Elnor Herweh, Cynthia Boot, Beth Williams, Erma Lea Brewer, Phyllis Abrahams, Henrietta Borwegan, Shirley Vander Leest.

FOURTH ROW: Janet Wilson, Joann Van Arkel, Rosemary Hanel, Mary Lou Plate, Mary Shera, Judy Shutt, Shirley Elrod, Lola Steenhoek.

The members of this group are high school, seventh, and eighth grade girls. They took part in both cantatas. In the Christmas Cantata, they sang "Star of the East" and in the Easter Cantata they added "In the End of the Sabbath" and "Open the Gates of the Temple". These girls sang at high school assembly programs and at public appearances.

Clarinet Quartet

Judy Kutchin, Lola Steenhoek, Linda Sandy, and Margaret Morhauser.

The clarinet trio entered contest playing "Fugue A La Valse" by Carl Frangkiser and the quartet used the number "Country Dance" by Krenek.

Woodwind Trio

Karen Boot, Jo Ellen Thompson, and Maxine Williams.

Their contest number was "Trio for Woodwinds" by Beethoven.

Trumpet Quartet

Marjorie Thornton, Dale Benson, Rosella Logsdon, and Virginia Abrahams.

In contest these students played the number "Dedication" by Robert Franz.

Sextet

Margaret McFadden, Myrna Telfer, Donna Jean Johnson, Lila Steenhoek, Erma Lea Brewer, and Sarah Buckingham.

Their contest numbers were "A Brown Bird Singing" and "Lift Thine Eyes".

Mixed Chorus

FIRST ROW: French, Vaught, Cline, Sandy, Koder, Van Ryswyk, Brunner, Williams, Thompson, Van Houweling, Sparks.

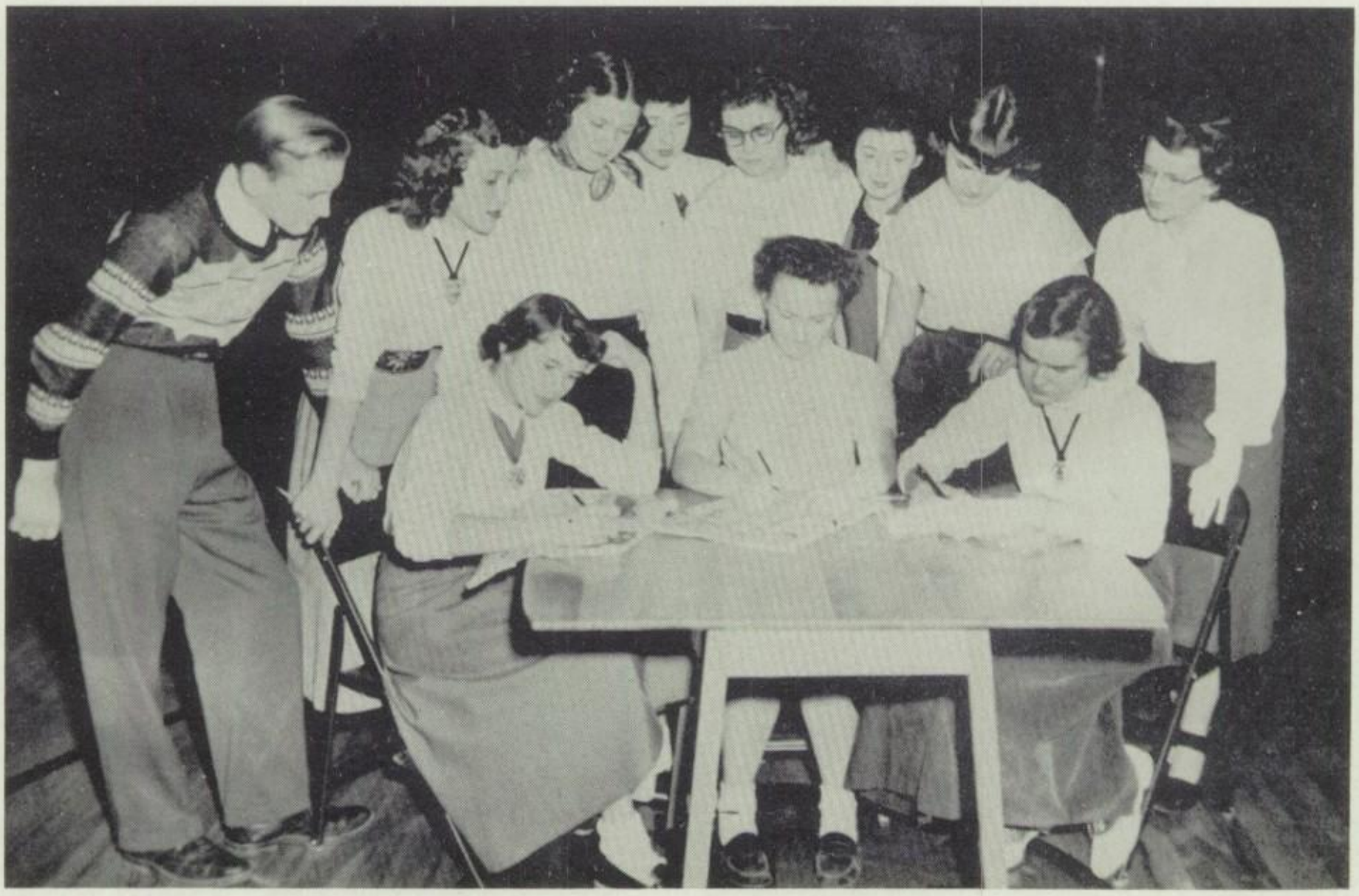
SECOND ROW: Brubaker, Sparks, Steenhoek, McFadden, Moomaw, Trunnel, Thompson, Telfer, Johnson, Buckingham, Koder, Van Haaften.

THIRD ROW: Thornton, Jennings, Stamper, Herweh, Boot, Williams, Brewer, Abrahams, Barwegan, Vander Leest, Van Peursem, Thornton.

FOURTH ROW: Ritter, Brubaker, Wilson, Van Arkel, Hanel, Plate, Shera, Shutt, Elrod, Steenhoek, Churchill.

The mixed chorus is composed of high school students, seventh and eighth graders, and a few sixth grade boys, because of the shortage of tenors. They took up a new project this year in the form of two cantatas. Both cantatas, "The Music of Bethlehem" by Fred B. Holton, and "Sunrise Over Calvary" by Noel Benson, were given in the gymnasium.

Newspaper Staff



SEATED: Pat Taylor, Nellie Harris, Rosemary Hanel.
STANDING: Keith Thornton, Ardis Van Peursem, Myrna Telfer, Jean Thompson, Joyce Sanderson, Noni Emerson, Joann Van Arkel, Mrs. Hood.

The news staff was organized for the purpose of bringing to the community the happenings of the Prairie City Schools. The staff covers education, sports, music, unusual happenings, throughout the school, and some humorous incidents. Each staff member has a subject to cover. They collect the news and give it to the editor who types it and takes it to the news office where the "School Daze" is created.

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Joann Van Arkel

Letter Club

(Letters indicate in what sport they earned their letter)
F--football; B--basketball; Bs--baseball; Ch-cheerleading; M-manager.

FIRST ROW: J. Jennings (B), L. Kinart (Ch), J. Van Arkel (Ch), R. Hanel (B), W. Abrahams (Ch), N. Emerson (Ch), P. Abrahams (Ch), M. McFadden (Ch).

SECOND ROW: B. Vanderzyl (F, Bs, B), N. Harris (B), J. Sanderson (B), P. Taylor (B), A. Van Peursem (B), S. Elrod (M), E. Brewer (Ch), G. Wassenaar (B, Bs), D. Jennings (F).

THIRD ROW: G. Timmons (F, B, Bs), L. Wiggins (F, Bs), L. Wiggins (F, B, Bs), D. Miller (Bs), M. Ingram (M), M. Brubaker (F, Bs), K. Thornton (Ch).

FOURTH ROW: H. Churchill (F, Bs), T. Wagner (M), A. Van Ryswyk (M), L. Jennings (B, F, Bs), P. Osborn (F), R. Telfer (F).

The Letter Club was organized for the purpose of interesting more students in the Prairie City athletic program. There are thirty-one participating in Letter Club at the present.

It is possible to earn a letter only by participating in one-half of the innings or quarters, which ever it may be, and being voted into the organization by two-thirds of its members. Upon entering the Letter Club, they are put through various horrifying experiences known as initiation.

The officers are elected annually with the exception of president. The vice-president is elected from the Junior Class and automatically becomes president the following year.

Officers this year are: President--Patty Taylor
Vice-President--Bobby Vanderzyl
Secretary and Treasurer--Ardis Van Peursem

Cheerleaders

Nona Emerson, Wanda Abrahams, Erma Lea Brewer, Phyllis Abrahams, and Margaret McFadden.

Pep Club

FIRST ROW: Emerson, Abrahams, Vaught, Williams, Thompson, Van Ryswyk, Koder, Rowe, Brunner, Van Houweling.

SECOND ROW: Moomaw, Telfer, Miller, Clark, Green, Olivier, Shera, Thompson, Shutt, Vander Leest, Stamper.

THIRD ROW: Plate, Borwegan, Williams, Brewer, Abrahams, Kinart, Telfer, Buckingham, Johnson, Steenhoek.

FOURTH ROW: Jennings, Herweh, Stamper, McFadden, Messmaker, Elrod, Vande Lune, Thompson, Ritter, Clark, Thornton.

FIFTH ROW: Van Wyngarden, Harris, Sanderson, Steenhoek, Sparks, Beaver, Van Peursem, Taylor, Hanel, Van Arkel.

Junior Play

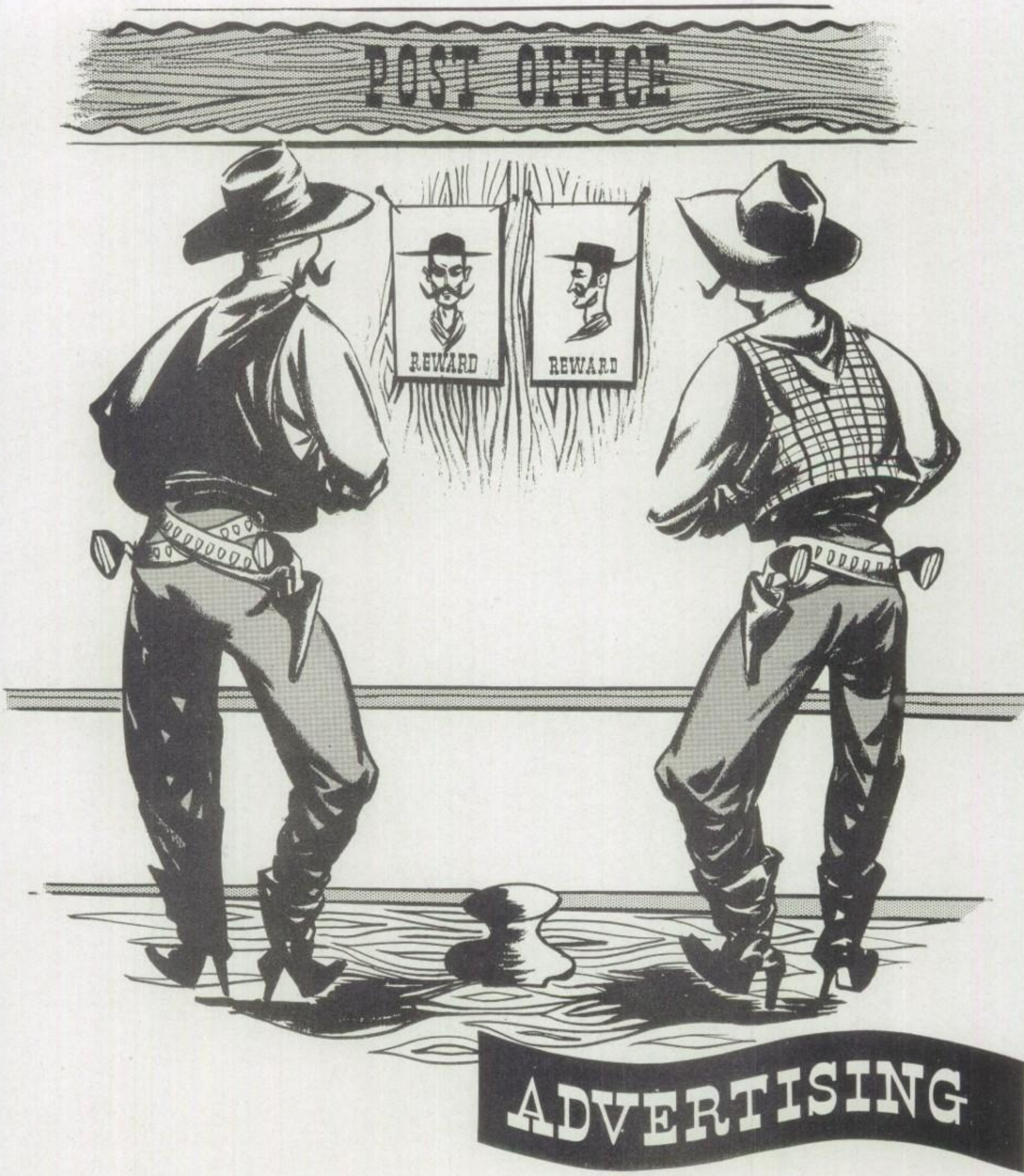
Cast

Clementine Kelly. . . . . Rosemary Hanel
Mary Kelly . . . . . La Vonne Clark
Gerald Kelly . . . . . Ronald Hiemstra
Bertha . . . . . Mary Lou Van Gundy
Abe Carter . . . . . Keith Thornton
Hank Matthews . . . . . Hubert Churchill
Pete . . . . . Dwaine Bos
Tubby . . . . . Jim Taylor
Cathy . . . . . Ardis Van Peursem
Jane Ann . . . . . Beth Williams
Ann McNeil . . . . . Barbara Vande Lune
Miss Prunella Pringle . . . . . Jean Thompson

Stage Manager . . . . . June Jennings
Assistant Stage Manager . . . . . Elise Green
Business Manager . . . . . Wanda Abrahams
Assistant Business Manager . . . . . Cynthia Boot

Synopsis

The whole neighborhood admires Cathy. She is a well groomed, neatly dressed girl, and she has a way with the boys. On the other hand Clementine is more likely to be seen wearing a football helmet or playing football with the boys. Finally Clem's mother decides it is time for a change. She demands that Clem stop playing football. She must also ask a boy to Cathy's girl date party. After much persuasion Clem invites Hank, along with the careful explanation that it was her mother's idea and she hopes he'll refuse. Hank is astonished at the ungracious invitation, so when Cathy asks him in her charming way, he accepts. This leaves Clem with Tubby. Clem is surprised to find that she disapproves of the way the situation has turned out. She decides she will show Hank. With the help of a charming and capable speech teacher Clem becomes a great threat to Hank in an oratorical contest. On the big night, Clem makes a great speech, but in doing so, greatly angers Miss Pringle, who is a big influence in town elections. This creates a touchy situation, because Clem's father is running for mayor. Clem doesn't realize Miss Pringle's anger and her parents keep it from her, but they consider the election a lost cause. After Clem has won the contest, she finds that she doesn't like the idea of defeating Hank and when he goes off with Cathy; it really hurts. But Clem is smart. First she gets a permanent and then she asks Hank over to help her with her geometry. About the time it looks like the problem is solved, Clem discovers that her carelessness will probably cause her dad to lose the election. Such things as kicking a football through Miss Pringle's picture window and that phrase about "gossiping old maids" just as Miss Pringle came down the aisle while Clem was giving her speech made the problem difficult. It takes the courage of a typical American teen-ager to face Miss Pringle and admit where she is wrong and sell her on the idea of her dad's election program, but she does it. By doing so, she also wins Hank back.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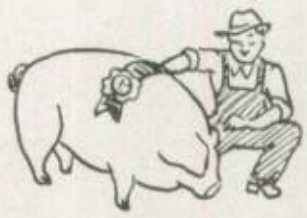

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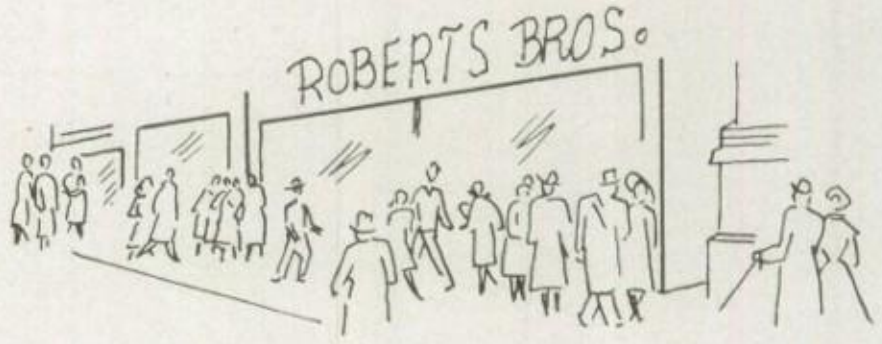

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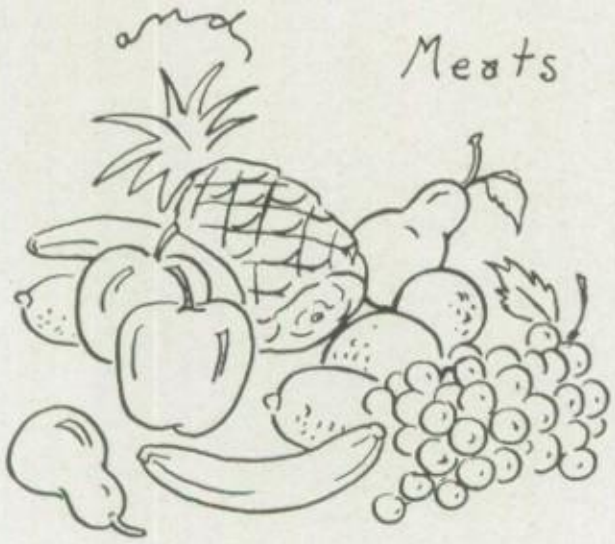

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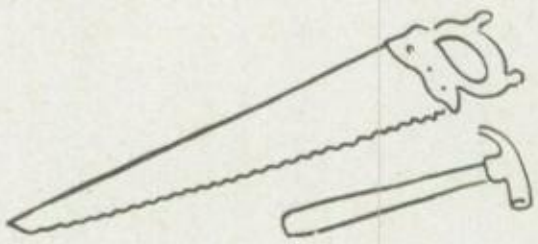

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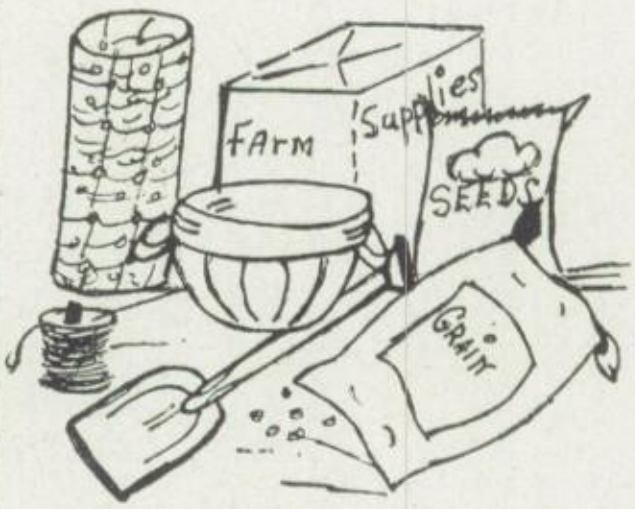

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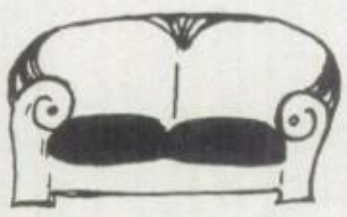

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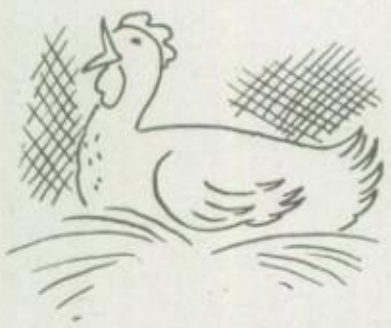

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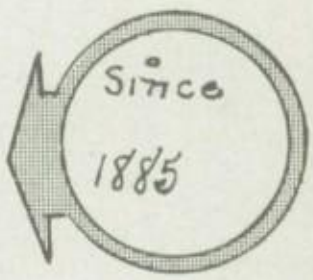

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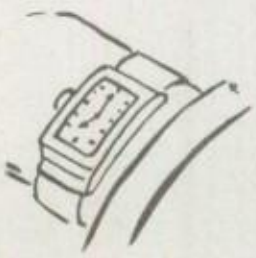

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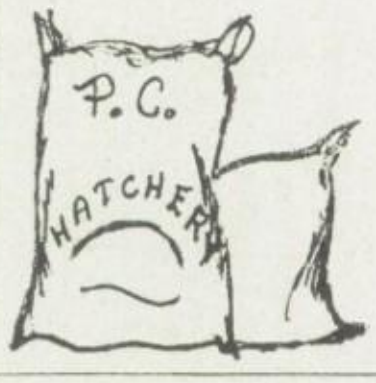

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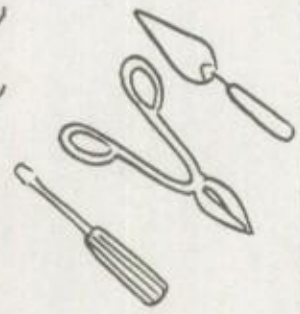

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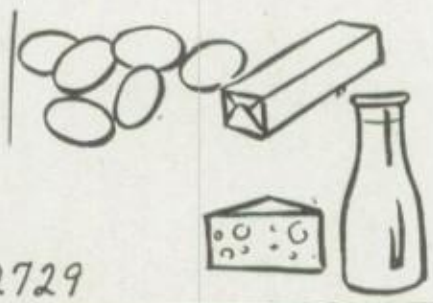

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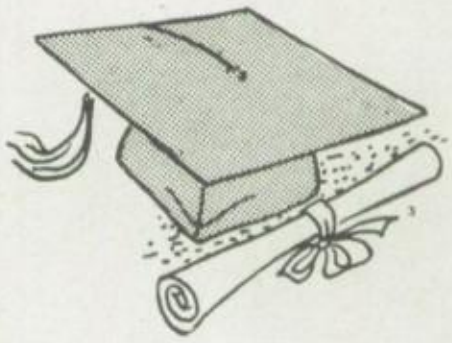

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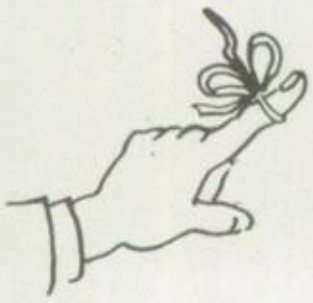

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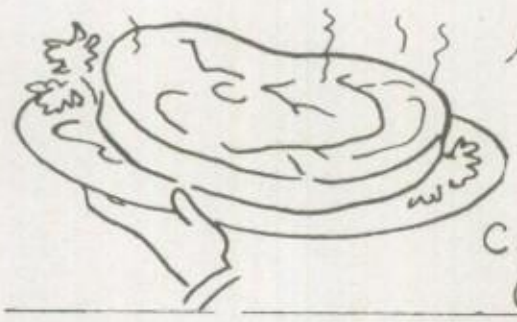

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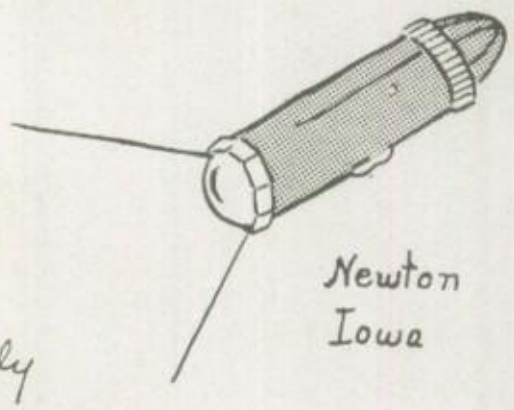

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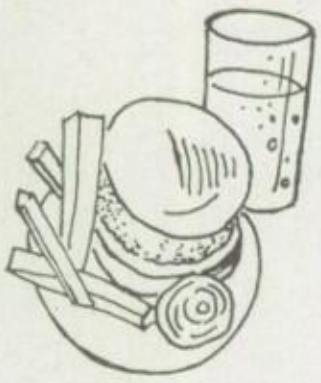

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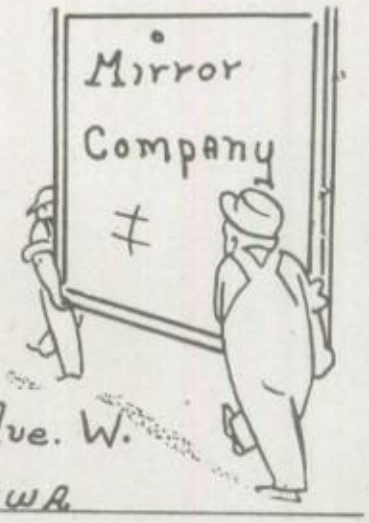

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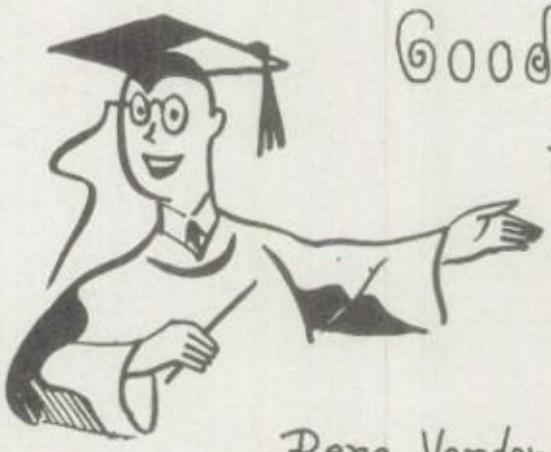

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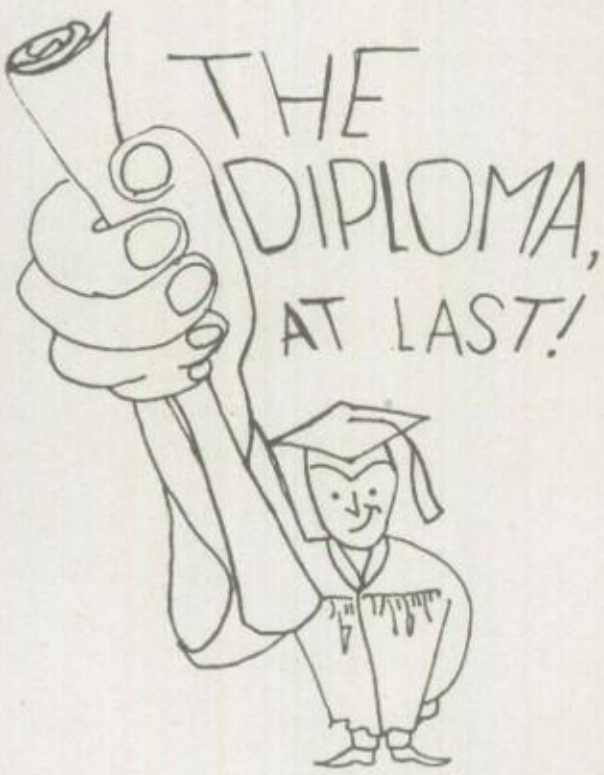

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